

Changing the Lens on Soundscape Ecological Research: What We Can Do to Address Current Grand Environmental Challenges

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Sound is a universal measure of change and is one of the most emotional senses humans possess. How can we take advantage of these two fundamental notions to help improve ecological and social well-being of this planet? I address this question with a summary of my vision for how the paradigm of soundscape ecology is uniquely positioned to advance the critical understanding of our changing world. New pathways of scholarship are clearly needed but they are within our reach even today. I conclude with seven rules we must follow to fulfill this vision so that we may achieve a more sustainable planet.

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